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RE: *State of Texas, et al. v. USA, et al.*,
Civil Action No. 1:18-cv-00068

Dear Mr. Robins:

I write on behalf of Defendant-Intervenors Karla Perez, *et al.* (“Perez Defendant-Intervenors”) regarding outstanding initial disclosures by the Federal Defendants in the above-captioned matter.

At the November 14, 2018 initial conference, the Court entered a Rule 16 schedule, noting that given the Court’s denial of Plaintiff States’ motion for a preliminary injunction, the case should proceed to trial with a regular discovery schedule. *See* 11-14-18 Tr. at 6:4-7, 7:11-12 (“[T]he 31st of August 2018, Judge Hanen declined to issue preliminary injunctive relief. And so I have visited with him and he’s asked that I enter a schedule for your trial . . . trial date about 18 months from now seemed reasonable to Judge Hanen”).

Despite the Court’s scheduling order, Federal Defendants have not provided initial disclosures, which were due to all parties more than three weeks ago, on November 6, 2018. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(1)(C). Federal Defendants therefore have failed to identify basic information about their claims and defenses, including persons likely to have discoverable information and documents in its possession, and have prevented Perez Defendant-Intervenors from having a fair and full opportunity to engage in discovery as ordered by the Court.

Perez Defendant-Intervenors request that Federal Defendants immediately provide their outstanding initial disclosures in compliance with the Federal Rules.

Sincerely,

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